

McHenry County Labor Report

Update Quarter **2**, 2012

Ending 06/30/2012



A report of the McHenry County Workforce Network Board

BY THE NUMBERS

McHenry County, Illinois, LWIA2

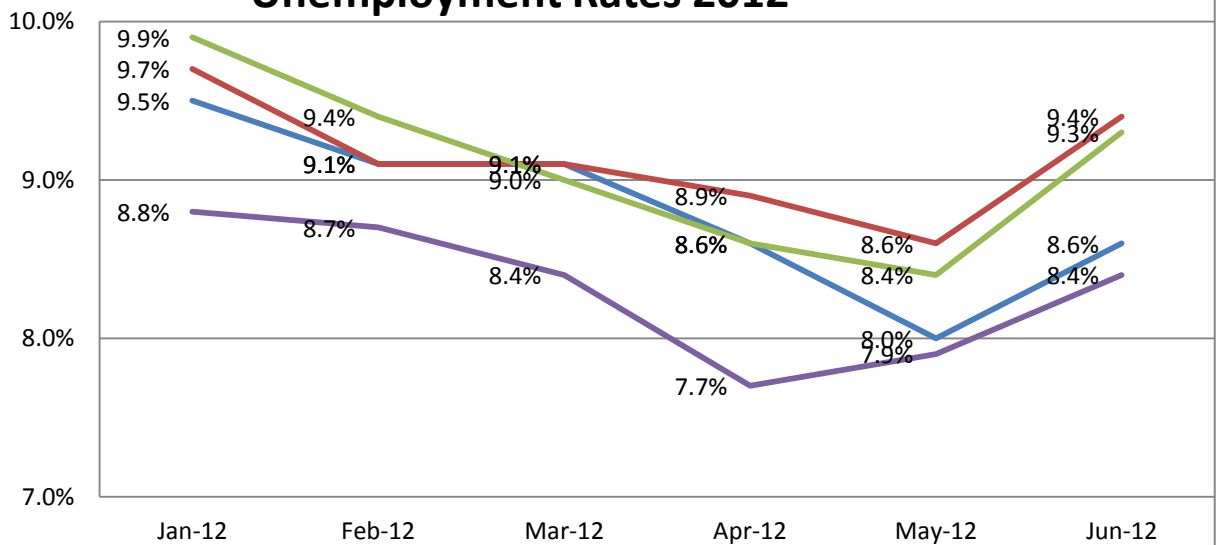
UNEMPLOYMENT NUMBERS

	Apr	May	Jun
McHenry County	8.6%	8.0%	8.6%
Illinois	8.6%	8.4%	9.3%
178,381	162,977	15,404	
June 2012: Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	



MAP COURTESY OF THE MCHENRY COUNTY GIS SYSTEM

Comparison of Unemployment Rates 2012



	Jan-12	Feb-12	Mar-12	Apr-12	May-12	Jun-12
McHenry County	9.5%	9.1%	9.1%	8.6%	8.0%	8.6%
NE Illinois Region	9.7%	9.1%	9.1%	8.9%	8.6%	9.4%
Illinois	9.9%	9.4%	9.0%	8.6%	8.4%	9.3%
National	8.8%	8.7%	8.4%	7.7%	7.9%	8.4%

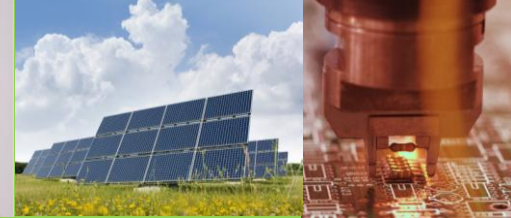
NE Illinois Region includes (10 counties)) - Cook, De Kalb, Du Page, Grundy, Kane, Kankakee, Kendall, Lake, Mc Henry, Will Counties

Source: IDES

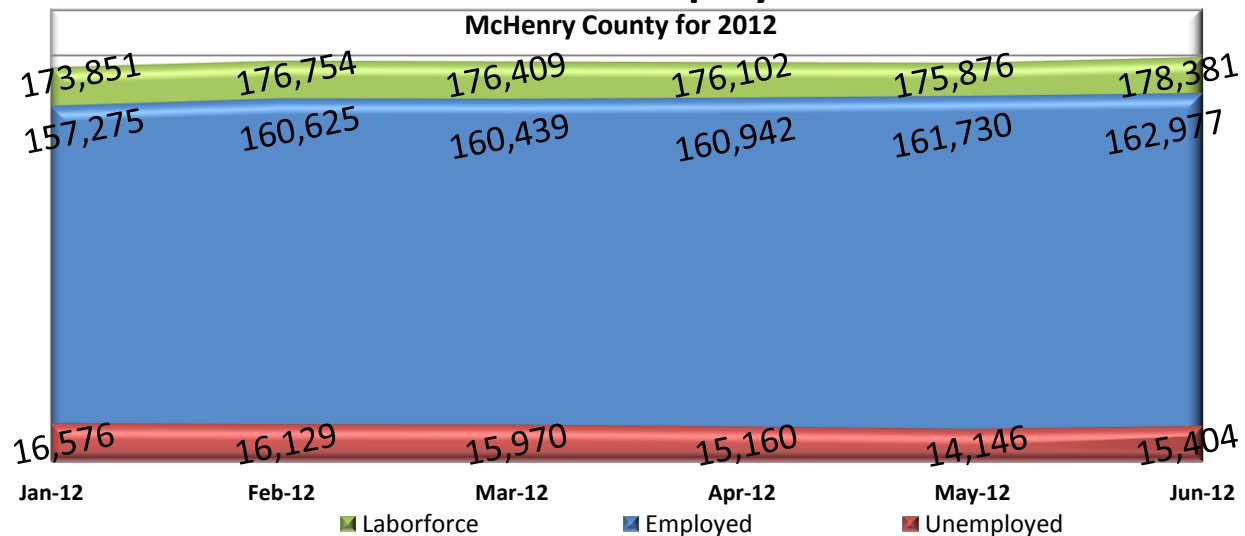
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Workforce & Employment



Laborforce refers to all civilian, non-institutionalized, working-age individuals (age 16+) who were employed or without employment but available and actively looking for work during the week including the 12th of each month (also called the reference week).

Employed include those workers who:

- worked at least one hour for pay or profit,
 - were temporarily away from work due to reasons such as labor disputes, vacation, or illnesses, or worked at least 15 unpaid hours in a family business.
- No distinction is made among those who work full-time or part-time, are self-employed or receive government assistance while working.

Unemployed include those who:

- lost their jobs involuntarily,
- quit their jobs,
- entered the labor market for the first time or re-entered the labor market
- have been laid off but are expected to be recalled.

Source: IDES

Regional Business Statistics

Indicator	Current	Previous	Improved/Weaker	Area	Source
Chicago Business Activity	102.4 May 2012	100.2 April 2012	Improved ↑	Chicago Area	REAL
Chicago Business Barometer	53.7 July 2012	52.9 May 2012	Improved ↑	Chicago Area	ISM-Chicago
Employment Cost Index for private industry workers	117.4 June 2012	116.7 March 2012	Improved ↑	Midwest East North Central	BLS
GDP Growth	1.30% June 2012	1.30% May 2012	Unchanged →	Illinois	FRBC
Home Price Index	108.6 May 2012	103.9 April 2012	Improved ↑	Chicago	S&P
Midwest Manufacturing Index	94.1 June 2012	93.0 April 2012	Improved ↑	Midwest	FRBC

SOURCES: REAL- Univ of Illinois Regional Economics Application Laboratory; ISM-Chicago - Institute for Supply Management; BLS - Bureau of Labor Statistics; FRBC - Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago S&P - Case & Schiller Home Price Index, Standard & Poor's;

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Total Job Ads
7,040

Available Online Job Postings Q2 2012 ¹

The Economic Information and Analysis Division of IDES collects, compiles, analyzes, publishes and distributes a variety of workforce, career resources and labor market information including this geographic-specific list of current regional jobs in demand. The data source, Help Wanted Online, uses web spider crawler technology to scrape among others: online job boards, newspapers, niche, free and local sources and aggregator sites.² For additional information or to contact a labor market economist visit www.ides.illinois.gov and select "Labor Market Information" under the Workforce Partners tab.

McHenry County's Top 10 Hot Jobs—# of Ads

- Retail Sales Persons—366
- 1st-Line Spvrs/Mgrs Retail Sales Workers—333
- 1st Line Spvrs/Mgrs Food Prep & Serving Workers —276
- Occupational Therapists—230
- Occupational Therapist Assistants—204
- Physical Therapists—153
- Industrial Engineers—132
- Registered Nurses—129
- 1st-Line Spvrs/Mgr of Production & Operations Workers—114
- Physical Therapist Assistants—110



Sales Related	Healthcare	Food Preparation & Serving-Related	Office & Admin Support
1,092	849	365	209
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Retail Salespersons • 1st-Line Spvrs/Mgrs Retail Sales Workers • Demonstrators and Product Promoters • 1st-Line Spvrs/Mgrs of Personal Service Workers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Occupational Therapists • Occupational Therapist Assistants • Physical Therapists • Registered Nurses • Speech-Language Pathologists • Physical Therapist Asst. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1st Line Spvrs/Mgrs of Food Prep & Serving Workers • Combined Food Prep Workers, including Fast Food 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1st-Line Spvrs/Mgrs, Office and Admin • Customer Service Reps

Production	Management	Architecture & Engineering	Logistics
197	180	132	79
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1st Line Spvrs/Mgrs of Production • Maintenance and Repair Workers, General 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Marketing Managers • General and Operations Managers • Financial Managers, Branch or Department • Medical and Health Services Managers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Industrial Engineers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Truck drivers, Heavy and Tractor-Trailer

¹ Q2 2012—04/01/2012 thru 06/30/2012

² Due the hiring practices of some industries, such as Construction, Natural Resources and Agriculture, their job openings are not typically posted online. Source—The Conference Board Help Wanted Online Data Series. Data are not seasonally adjusted



MENTORING THE WORKFORCE OF TOMORROW TODAY

McHENRY COUNTY WORKFORCE NETWORK YOUTH PROGRAM

Why are a growing number of employers partnering with McHenry County Workforce Network to bring trained, motivated entry level employees into the local workforce? Because it's a win – win opportunity.

GROW WITH THE COMMUNITY

By helping mentor tomorrow's workers today with internships and entry level jobs, employers are giving back to their local communities. These individual successes, in turn, help our communities prosper and grow, and help businesses prosper and grow along with them.

RELIABLE, PRODUCTIVE WORKERS

Individual businesses benefit by being able to hire from a pool of interns and entry level employees who are trained and motivated to be reliable, productive workers from day one. In addition, both employers and employees have a Workforce Network professional to act as their advocate and help make sure everything works to everyone's satisfaction.

SUBSIDIZED SALARIES

Many of these new employee's salaries will be subsidized initially by McHenry County Workforce Network. As an employer, you are able to mentor and train employees in your way of doing business.

Join McHenry County Workforce Network in helping to train and mentor the workforce of tomorrow. **Call 815.206.5201** and start gaining important business benefits today.

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